IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA : CRIMINAL NO:

v. : DATE FILED:

CUSHMIR McBRIDE : VIOLATIONS:

KAMAR THOMPSON 18 U.S.C. § 844(n) (conspiracy to

:

NASSER McFALL : maliciously damage property used in

interstate commerce by means of an

: explosive – 1 count)

18 U.S.C. § 844(i) (maliciously

damaging property used in interstate

commerce by means of an explosive -

5 counts)

: 18 U.S.C. § 2 (aiding and abetting)

Notice of forfeiture

INDICTMENT

COUNT ONE

THE GRAND JURY CHARGES THAT:

BACKGROUND

At all times material to this indictment:

- An automated teller machine (hereinafter referred to as "ATM") was an
 electronic banking outlet that allowed customers to complete basic financial transactions, such as
 banking deposits and cash withdrawals, without the aid of a branch representative or teller.
- 2. Target Corporation (hereinafter referred to as "Target") was a national chain of convenience retail stores, operating multiple locations throughout the United States, including in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. Target ordered and obtained supplies and merchandise from businesses throughout the United States and was a business engaged in

interstate commerce by providing customers with goods produced, purchased, and transported from other states to Pennsylvania.

- 3. Target had a store located at 2701 Castor Avenue, Philadelphia,
 Pennsylvania (hereinafter referred to as "the Castor Avenue Target"). The Castor Avenue Target
 sold products that were manufactured outside the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The Castor
 Avenue Target housed an ATM that was owned and operated by Capitol One Bank. The Castor
 Avenue Target was closed for business on October 28, 2020, because of civil unrest in
 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Despite the store closure, during the early morning hours on October
 28, 2020, widespread looting occurred at the Castor Avenue Target.
- 4. Wawa was a chain of deli and convenience retail stores, operating multiple locations throughout Southeastern Pennsylvania and surrounding areas. Wawa ordered and obtained supplies and merchandise from businesses that were located in Pennsylvania and other states in the United States and was a business that was engaged in interstate commerce by providing customers with goods produced, purchased, and transported from other states to Pennsylvania.
- 5. Wawa had stores located at 3230 Richmond Street, Philadelphia,
 Pennsylvania (hereinafter referred to as "the Richmond Street Wawa"), 7001 Roosevelt
 Boulevard, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania (hereinafter referred to as "the Roosevelt Boulevard
 Wawa"), and 301 Ridge Road, Claymont, Delaware (hereinafter referred to as "the Ridge Road
 Wawa"). The Wawa stores sold cigarettes and other products that were manufactured outside of
 the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of Delaware. The Wawa locations house
 ATMs that were owned and operated by PNC Bank. The Richmond Street Wawa and the

Roosevelt Boulevard Wawa stores were closed for business on October 29, 2020, and October 31, 2020, because of civil unrest in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The Ridge Road Wawa opened for business at 4:30 a.m. on November 4, 2020.

- Wells Fargo Bank operated an ATM located at 4600 Roosevelt Boulevard,
 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- 7. Defendants CUSHMIR McBRIDE, KAMAR THOMPSON, and NASSER McFALL were not employees of Target or Wawa and had no permission to enter the Castor Avenue Target store on October 28, 2020, the Richmond Street Wawa on October 29, 2020, and the Roosevelt Boulevard Wawa on October 31, 2020.

THE CONSPIRACY

From at least on or about October 28, 2020, through on or about
 December 2, 2020, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, and elsewhere, defendants

CUSHMIR McBRIDE, KAMAR THOMPSON, and NASSER McFALL

conspired and agreed together to maliciously damage and destroy, and attempt to damage and destroy, by means of fire or an explosive, any building, vehicle, and other real and personal property used in interstate and foreign commerce and in any activity affecting interstate and foreign commerce, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 844(i).

MANNER AND MEANS

It was part of the conspiracy that:

- 9. Defendants CUSHMIR McBRIDE, KAMAR THOMPSON, and NASSER McFALL planned to use explosive devices to damage property, specifically ATMs, to gain access to and steal United States currency contained inside the ATMs.
- 10. Defendants CUSHMIR McBRIDE, KAMAR THOMPSON, and NASSER McFALL drove in vehicles to locations with ATMs, for the purpose of detonating explosives to destroy the ATMs, and to steal the United States currency contained inside the ATMs.
- 11. Defendants CUSHMIR McBRIDE, KAMAR THOMPSON, and NASSER McFALL used tools, including but not limited to, hammers, axes, saws, crowbars, and other equipment, and wore construction clothing to facilitate and carry out their plan to destroy ATMs with explosive devices and to steal the United States currency contained inside the ATMs.
- 12. Defendants CUSHMIR McBRIDE, KAMAR THOMPSON, and NASSER McFALL entered or broke into businesses to gain access to ATMs inside, and used explosives to destroy the ATMs and to steal the United States currency contained inside the ATMs.
- 13. Defendants CUSHMIR McBRIDE, KAMAR THOMPSON, and NASSER McFALL covered their faces with masks and wore other items of clothing to conceal their identities and to evade capture by law enforcement.
- 14. Defendants CUSHMIR McBRIDE, KAMAR THOMPSON, and NASSER McFALL attempted to conceal the vehicle identification numbers and used stolen registration plates on their vehicles to evade detection by law enforcement.

OVERT ACTS

In furtherance of the conspiracy and to accomplish its objects, defendants

CUSHMIR McBRIDE, KAMAR THOMPSON, and NASSER McFALL, committed the following overt acts, among others, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, the District of Delaware and elsewhere:

October 28, 2020 The Castor Avenue Target

- 1. On or about October 28, 2020:
- a. Defendants CUSHMIR McBRIDE, KAMAR THOMPSON, and NASSER McFALL drove together in a vehicle to the Castor Avenue Target.
- b. After arriving at the Castor Avenue Target, two of the men, wearing masks to conceal their identities, entered the store carrying tools, and the third man remained in the vehicle as the lookout and getaway driver.
- c. After entering the Castor Avenue Target, one of the men retrieved a safety vest from the floor of the Target and put it on. The men then used the tools to break open the ATM. One of the men placed an explosive device inside of the ATM and lit it. The explosive device detonated, damaging the ATM, and allowing the men to gain access to the United States currency inside.
- d. The men stole approximately \$39,628 from the ATM, left store, and rejoined the third male in the getaway vehicle.
- e. Defendants CUSHMIR McBRIDE, KAMAR THOMPSON, and NASSER McFALL fled the area in their vehicle.

October 29, 2020 The Richmond Street Wawa

2. On October 29, 2020:

- a. Defendants CUSHMIR McBRIDE, KAMAR THOMPSON, and NASSER McFALL drove together in a vehicle to the Richmond Street Wawa.
- b. After arriving at the Richmond Street Wawa, two of the men, wearing construction safety vests, and masks to conceal their identities, and carrying crowbars, unsuccessfully attempted to break into the Richmond Street Wawa through a side door. The men then forcibly entered the store through the front door, while the third man remained in the vehicle as the lookout and getaway driver.
- c. While inside the Richmond Street Wawa, the two men used pry bars to open two PNC Bank ATMs.
- d. After breaking open the ATMs with the tools, one of the men placed an explosive device inside of the ATM and lit it. The explosive device detonated, damaging the ATM, and allowing the men to gain access to the United States currency inside.
- e. The men stole the approximately \$150,610 from the ATMs, placed the stolen money in a trash can from store, left store, and rejoined the third male in the getaway vehicle.
- f. Defendants CUSHMIR McBRIDE, KAMAR THOMPSON, and NASSER McFALL fled the area in their vehicle and drove to a secure location near the Pennsylvania/Delaware border.

October 31, 2020 The Richmond Street Wawa

- 3. On October 31, 2020:
- a. Defendants CUSHMIR McBRIDE and KAMAR THOMPSON drove together in a vehicle to the Richmond Street Wawa.

b. Defendants CUSHMIR McBRIDE and KAMAR THOMPSON entered the vestibule, wearing masks to conceal their identities, looked around, then quickly left the Richmond Street Wawa, returned to their vehicle, and fled the area.

October 31, 2020 The Roosevelt Boulevard Wawa

- 4. On October 31, 2020:
- a. Defendants CUSHMIR McBRIDE and KAMAR THOMPSON drove together in a vehicle to the Roosevelt Boulevard Wawa.
- b. Defendants CUSHMIR McBRIDE and KAMAR THOMPSON, wearing masks to conceal their identities, and one of whom was carrying a crowbar and wearing a construction safety vest, broke into the Roosevelt Boulevard Wawa by forcing open a rear door.
- c. One of the men placed an explosive device inside the ATM and lit it. The explosive device detonated, damaging the ATM, and allowed the men to gain access to the interior of the ATM. After finding no money inside the ATM, defendants CUSHMIR McBRIDE and KAMAR THOMPSON fled the store, returned to their vehicle, and fled from the area.

November 5, 2020 The Ridge Road Wawa

- 5. On November 5, 2020:
- a. Defendants CUSHMIR McBRIDE and KAMAR THOMPSON drove together in a vehicle from Philadelphia to Claymont, Delaware, and met defendant NASSER McFALL.

- b. Defendants CUSHMIR McBRIDE, KAMAR THOMPSON, and NASSER McFALL drove together to the Wawa, located at 601 Naamans Road, Claymont, Delaware (hereinafter referred to as "the Naamans Road Wawa") in defendant THOMPSON'S vehicle, which had its vehicle identification number covered and a stolen registration plate affixed to it, in order to conceal the identity of the true owner of the vehicle.
- c. After arriving at the Naamans Road Wawa, defendants CUSHMIR McBRIDE, KAMAR THOMPSON, and NASSER McFALL parked the vehicle and remained for a brief time. Defendants McBRIDE, THOMPSON, and McFALL then drove out of the parking lot and left the area.
- d. After leaving the Naamans Road Wawa, defendants CUSHMIR McBRIDE, KAMAR THOMPSON, and NASSER McFALL drove together in defendant THOMPSON'S vehicle to the Ridge Road Wawa.
- e. After arriving at the Ridge Road Wawa, two of the men entered the store, which was open for business, while wearing construction safety vests, masks to conceal their identities, and armed with crowbars, as the third man remained in the vehicle as the lookout and getaway driver.
- f. After entering the Ridge Road Wawa, one of the men locked the door behind them preventing the employees inside from leaving and further preventing anyone to enter the store.
- g. One of the men brandished the crowbar, corralled the store employees, forced them to sit on the floor, and demanded their cellular telephones. The other man approached the ATM, placed an explosive device into an ATM, and lit it. The explosive

device detonated, damaging the ATM, but the men were unable to gain access to the United States currency inside.

- h. The two men fled the store and rejoined the third male in the getaway vehicle.
- Defendants CUSHMIR McBRIDE, KAMAR THOMPSON, and NASSER McFALL fled the area in their vehicle.

<u>December 2, 2020</u> Wells Fargo ATM at 4600 Roosevelt Boulevard

- 6. On December 2, 2020:
- a. Defendant NASSER McFALL and a person who is unknown to the grand jury, drove together in a vehicle to the Wells Fargo ATM, located at 4600 Roosevelt Boulevard, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- b. Defendant NASSEER McFALL and the other person wore construction safety vests, and masks to conceal their identities.
- c. Defendant NASSER McFALL and the other person left the vehicle, set up orange traffic cones in the parking lot, and approached the ATM where defendant McFALL and the other person placed an explosive device inside the ATM and lit it. The explosive device detonated, damaging the ATM, but the men were unable to gain access to the United States currency inside. Defendant McFALL and the other person placed a second explosive device inside of the ATM and lit it. The explosive device detonated, causing further damage to the ATM, and allowing the men to gain access to the United States currency inside.
- d. Defendant NASSER McFALL and the other person stole approximately \$65,845 from the ATM and fled the area in their vehicle.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 844(n).

COUNT TWO

THE GRAND JURY FURTHER CHARGES THAT:

- 1. Paragraphs 1 through 3, 9 through 14, and Overt Act 1 of Count One of this indictment are incorporated here.
- On or about October 28, 2020, in Philadelphia, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, defendants

CUSHMIR McBRIDE, KAMAR THOMPSON, and NASSER McFALL

maliciously damaged and destroyed, by means of an explosive, and aided and abetted and willfully caused the malicious damaging and destruction, by means of an explosive, of property used in interstate commerce and in activities affecting interstate commerce, that is, an automated teller machine, operated by Capital One Bank, inside the Target store located at 2701 Castor Avenue in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

COUNT THREE

THE GRAND JURY FURTHER CHARGES THAT:

- Paragraphs 1, 4, 5 and 9 through 14, and Overt Act 2 of Count One of this indictment are incorporated here.
- On or about October 29, 2020, in Philadelphia, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, defendants

CUSHMIR McBRIDE, KAMAR THOMPSON, and NASSER McFALL

maliciously damaged and destroyed, by means of an explosive, and aided and abetted and willfully caused the malicious damaging and destruction, by means of an explosive, of property used in interstate commerce and in activities affecting interstate commerce, that is, two automated teller machines, operated by PNC Bank, inside of the Wawa store located at 3230 Richmond Street in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

COUNT FOUR

THE GRAND JURY FURTHER CHARGES THAT:

- 1. Paragraphs 1, 4, 5, and 9 through 14, and Overt Act 4 of Count One of this indictment are incorporated here.
- On or about October 31, 2020, in Philadelphia, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, defendants

CUSHMIR McBRIDE and KAMAR THOMPSON

maliciously damaged and destroyed, by means of an explosive, and aided and abetted and willfully caused the malicious damaging and destruction, by means of an explosive, of property used in interstate commerce and in activities affecting interstate commerce, that is, an automated teller machine, operated by PNC Bank, inside of the Wawa store located at 7001 Roosevelt Boulevard in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

COUNT FIVE

THE GRAND JURY FURTHER CHARGES THAT:

- 1. Paragraphs 1, 4, 5, and 9 through 14, and Overt Act 5 of Count One of this indictment are incorporated here.
- 2. On or about November 5, 2020, in Claymont, in the District of Delaware, defendants

CUSHMIR McBRIDE, KAMAR THOMPSON, and NASSER McFALL

maliciously damaged and destroyed, by means of an explosive, and aided and abetted and willfully caused the malicious damaging and destruction, by means of an explosive, of property used in interstate commerce and in activities affecting interstate commerce, that is, an automated teller machine, operated by PNC Bank, inside of the Wawa store located at 301 Ridge Road in Claymont, Delaware.

COUNT SIX

THE GRAND JURY FURTHER CHARGES THAT:

- Paragraphs 1, 6 and 9 through 14, and Overt Act 6 of Count One of this indictment are incorporated here.
- On or about December 2, 2020, in Philadelphia, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, defendant

NASSER McFALL,

and a person unknown to the grand jury, maliciously damaged and destroyed, by means of an explosive, and aided and abetted and willfully caused the malicious damaging and destruction, by means of an explosive, of property used in interstate commerce and in activities affecting interstate commerce, that is, an automated teller machine, operated by Wells Fargo, located at 4600 Roosevelt Boulevard in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

NOTICE OF FORFEITURE

THE GRAND JURY FURTHER CHARGES THAT:

As a result of the violations of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 844(n) and 844(i), as set forth in this indictment, defendants

CUSHMIR McBRIDE, KAMAR THOMPSON, and NASSER McFALL

shall forfeit to the United States of America:

- any explosive materials involved or used or intended to be used in the commission of such offenses;
- 2. any property, real or personal, that constitutes or is derived from proceeds traceable to, and obtained directly or indirectly as a result of, the commission of such violations, including, but not limited to, the sum of \$39,628 stolen from the Capitol One ATM, located inside the Target store at 2701 Castor Avenue Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on October 28, 2020; the sum of \$150,610 stolen from the PNC Bank ATM, located inside the Wawa store at 3230 Richmond Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on October 29, 2020; and the sum of \$65,845 stolen from the Wells Fargo ATM located at 4600 Roosevelt Boulevard, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on December 2, 2020.
- 3. If any of the property subject to forfeiture, as a result of any act or omission of the defendants:
 - (a) cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence;
 - (b) has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, a third party;
 - (c) has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the Court;

- (d) has been substantially diminished in value; or
- has been commingled with other property which cannot be divided without difficulty;

it is the intent of the United States, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 982(b) and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), incorporating Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p), to seek forfeiture of any other property of the defendants up to the value of the property subject to forfeiture.

All pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Sections 844(c)(1), 981(a)(1)(C), and 982(a)(2)(B), and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c).

A TRUE BILL:

GRAND JURY FOREPERSON

JENNIFER ARBITTIER WILLIAMS
Acting United States Attorney

No.

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INDICTMENT

18 U.S.C. § 844(n) (conspiracy to maliciously damage property used in interstate commerce by means of an explosive - 1 Counts count)

18 U.S.C. § 844(i) (maliciously damaging property used in interstate commerce by means of an explosive - 5 counts) 18 U.S.C. § 2 (aiding and abetting)

A true bill.

Filed in open court this A.D. 20

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Notices of forfeiture A true bill.